

CITY OF CARLSBAD

PROPOSITION “C” - OPEN SPACE AND TRAILS AD HOC CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

June 2, 2006

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairperson Montgomery called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.

Committee Members Present: Chairperson Montgomery and members Villavicencio, Miller, Cima, Martyns and Sandquist

Absent: Joel Altshul

Staff Members Present: Mike Grim, Senior Planner

Also Present: Jim Boylan, Facilitator

APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND CHARTED NOTES:

A motion was made and seconded, to approve the Minutes and Charted Notes from the meeting of April 14, 2006.

By a vote of 4-0-2, the Minutes and Charted Notes were approved as presented, with members Martyns and Sandquist abstaining.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA:

Chairperson Montgomery opened this Public Comment portion of the meeting.

Gary Hill, 3289 Donna Dr., Carlsbad, stated that he had received notice that 26 acres, at the corner of LegoLand Drive and Cannon Road is going to be coming back on the market and the asking price is \$1,000,000.

Seeing no one else wishing to speak, Chairman Montgomery closed the Public Comment portion of this meeting.

INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING THE SUBMISSION OF ITEM(S) TO BE PLACED ON THE AGENDA:

Chairperson Montgomery outlined the procedures for placing an item or items on any future agenda.

REVIEW OF GENERAL PLAN OPEN SPACE AND CONSERVATION ELEMENT AND OPEN SPACE AND CONSERVATION RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLAN (previously distributed).

Mr. Grim conducted this review and distributed relevant new materials.

Mr. Montgomery asked for Public Comment on this item.

Gary Hill, 3289 Donna Dr., Carlsbad, stated he feels the committee is heading in the right direction. He agrees that Priority II will probably take care of themselves and that Priority I has already been taken care of in the Growth Management Plan. Mr. Hill agreed with a plan to list all the available open space that will most likely meet all of the criteria set by this committee. Mr. Hill further stated that once the open space maps, with overlays, etc., are available, there will be little doubt as to what open spaces are available and the committee should find it considerably less difficult to decide which properties meet all of their requirements.

Member Martyns asked Mr. Hill if he can arrange for all the members to have individual copies of the maps he spoke of. Mr. Hill replied that Liz Katabian will have all the documents and will see to it that they are distributed appropriately.

REVIEW OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING VIDEO (previously distributed) and DISCUSSION OF COMMITTEE'S PURPOSE:

- Leonard Martyns: "The committee should concentrate on trails and trail linkages, per the Council's statements."
- Saundra Cima: Agreed with Dr. Martyns - committee should propose (?) to Council and to let them have an idea. She also stated she is much more comfortable now that pertinent information will be forthcoming and once it is received, the committee can then focus on its job.
- Carl Miller: Mr. Miller agreed with the previous statements and added that he feels that the "price tag" should be up to the Council to decide. He further stated that he will welcome the overlay map(s), since he does not feel adequately prepared to go out into the field to find the appropriate properties.
- Dennis Villavicencio: "Drawing from the indications from Council, this committee should develop a prioritized list of available properties that meet the general criteria, and present it to the Council for it's decision regarding purchases and prices."
- Fred Sandquist: Agreed with previous statements and added that he is particularly interested in the environmental aspects of trails and linkages and animal corridors. Also, would like to look at and consider sites that have significant value for habitats for plants and animals.
- Marty Montgomery: It is imperative that this committee completes it's assigned task(s) within the time frame set by the City Council. He pointed out that Council had been specific about acquiring properties adjacent to habitat or HMP areas and priority given to areas that have trails and certainly areas that have completed a whole trail linkage package. The combination of habitat and trails would certainly be exactly what Council is looking for.

COMMITTEE WORK PLAN AND FINAL PRODUCT:

By consensus, The Committee Work Plan and Final Product will be finalized at the next meeting.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY:

Chairperson Montgomery opened Public Testimony.

Gary Hill, 3289 Donna Drive, Carlsbad, CA, urged the committee to make sure they consider potential easements. Also, have staff come to the committee with the possibility of **(acquiring other funds needed?)** whether its for trails or for open space that it may have to consider.

Diane Nygaard, 5020 Nighthawk Way, Oceanside, representing Preserve Calavera, stated that in terms of the committee's timing, the things discussed today make a lot of sense as things like this take years to make happen. What appears to be called for now, is a "dream list" that can be built upon for the future. It is critical to have maps of the biological and core linkage areas from the HMP and the MACP, for the committee's base map.

Seeing no one wishing to give further testimony, Chairperson Montgomery closed the Public Testimony portion of this meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to adjourn was made and seconded.

Mr. Montgomery reminded the members that the next meeting of this committee will be at 10:00 a.m., on Friday, June 2, 2006, and adjourned the meeting at 12:09 a.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

Carol A. Cruise, Minutes Clerk